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Doris Timm
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Re: Requested Information on the Status of Small Mining Operation, Fraction Lode, S/045/041, Tooele County, Utah

Dear Mrs. Timm:

Thank you for submitting the 1996 annual report for the Fraction Lode Small Mining Project. We are sorry to learn of Mr. Timm's passing and send you our condolences. We have received notification from the Bureau of Land Management that they had inspected your Fraction Lode project and found that activities had been completed and that the site required no further reclamation. The BLM subsequently closed out their file for this project.

Correspondence in our records indicate that this has been an ongoing operation since 1941 and that the pit will not be reclaimed until all ore has been depleted. The Division will not accept the BLM's recommendation to close this file at this time. An inspection will have to be made prior to making that determination.

Please let us know as to your intent for the future of this operation. Please be advised that if no mining takes place within five years, the Division may require that complete reclamation be performed. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Munson'.

Tom Munson
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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cc: Margaret Wyatt, BLM, SL Dist. Office (U27-93-08N)
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